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HOUSE RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, The Delta Delta Omega Chapter of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated was chartered in East St. Louis on May 25, 1946 and is a chapter in the oldest Greek letter organization established by African American college-trained women; and

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WHEREAS, The eight charter members of the Delta Delta Omega Chapter of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated were Beatrice Burson Miller who served as the chartering and first president of the chapter, Thelma Barnes Blackwell, Ruth Brinkley Brown, Katherine Floyd Fagen, Johnetta Randolph Haley, Evelyn Moore, Iona Fidler Reed, and Anita Mae Wallace; and

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WHEREAS, These professional women served the Metro-East community as empowered leaders and with a commitment to serve youth and adults on the local and global scale; and

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WHEREAS, These women prided themselves in fostering a bond that kept the foundation of sisterliness and service at the forefront of every program and activity they presented to the community; and

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WHEREAS, Since the inception of its chartering, the Delta

1 Delta Omega Chapter has remained committed to meeting the  
2 needs of the community through a variety of successful  
3 service, educational, leadership, health, mentorship,  
4 cultural, and environmental programs with excellence and  
5 sustainability; and

6 WHEREAS, During its history, 40 women have served as  
7 president of the chapter, including Beatrice Burson Miller,  
8 Ruth Brinkley Brown, Iona Fidler Reed, Evelyn Moore, Thelma  
9 Blackwell, Katie Barbee Walker, Bessie Hairston West, Willa  
10 Irene Green, Eartha Perryman, Susie Haire Mann, Patricia Dancy  
11 Kelly, Marcella Donald, Mary Wrenn, Lena Weathers, Peggy Lewis  
12 LeCompte, Dianna Logan, Vivian Nichols, Sheryl Clayton, Lora  
13 Jones, Marjorie Preston, Katrina Thomas, Cathryn Mason,  
14 Louella Lewis Hawkins, Luereatha Griffin, Luvenia Long, Burena  
15 Howard, Gail McClellan, Helen Jones, Juanita Brown, Alice  
16 Aldridge, Donna Bender, Lola Key, Kathy Walker Steele, Doris  
17 Stewart, Gwendolyn Childs, Courtney Robinson, Nakia Nichelle  
18 Daniels, Taumosa Straughter Brooks, Vernesser Streater, and  
19 Amanda N. Brinson; and

20 WHEREAS, The influence and historical significance of the  
21 extraordinary eight charter members and the impact they made  
22 on the leaders who followed them shall remain with us always;  
23 therefore, be it

1           RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE  
2 HUNDRED SECOND GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that  
3 we recognize the contributions and exemplary character of the  
4 eight charter members of the Delta Delta Omega Chapter of  
5 Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated; and be it further

6           RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be  
7 presented to the Delta Delta Omega Chapter of Alpha Kappa  
8 Alpha Sorority, Incorporated as a symbol of our esteem and  
9 respect.